Department of Health & Human Services Local Health Services

Local Health Services Procedure		Number:
Subject: New Projects for Immediate Response – PFAS Response – Private Water Wells		
Supersedes No:	Date:	Effective Date: 10/31/18
Authority: Statewide PFAS in Residential Wells		
Decision Framework; P.A. 368 of 1978, as amended		
Signature of Director:		

Policy: When MDHHS Division of Environmental Health (DEH) and the affected Local Health Department (LHD) determine interim alternate water is to be provided, DEH works with the LHD to develop a budget for the response. MDHHS Office of Local Health Services (LHS) will partner with DEH to facilitate expedited funding for PFAS response capacity for affected LHDs. LHD eligibility for PFAS response funds is available for 180 days for interim protective public health measures for private drinking water wells. Funding will be reevaluated every 180 days to determine the phase of the response: Initial, Maintenance, or New Development in Ongoing Response. Funding and activities will be scaled to the response phase, subject to availability of funds.

Eligible expenses include:

- Filters, cartridges, and installation by a plumber licensed in the state of Michigan;
- Bottled water, as need is determined by MDHHS Division of Environmental Health for exceedances until the filter is installed;
- Mileage;
- Supplies;
- Other items as need is determined, such as public meeting venue rental or phone bank expenses; and
- Staff time dedicated to PFAS response in association with interim response.
 - Eligible staff activities for PFAS response include: home visits, organizing and hosting town hall meetings or other public education, phone banks, bottled water distribution, or water sample collection.

Other expenses that are not on this list must receive prior approval by DEH before submission to Local Health Services. Any deviation or amendment to existing PFAS response projects requires DEH approval.

Procedure:

1. Local Health Services is notified by Division of Environmental Health that a new project will be required to address PFAS in a given Local Health Department. The Local Health Department submits a response budget to the Division of

- Environmental Health health educators for initial approval. Forms are provided to the LHDs by DEH.
- 2. Division of Environmental Health submits approved budget to Local Health Services for creation of a time-sensitive response project within the Comprehensive Agreement for the given Local Health Department.
- 3. LHS Staff fill out New Project Request form (or DCH 3891 EGrAMS Grant Amendment Request for amendments), including information about the County, State Amount of funds, End Date, MDHHS Contract Administrator (LHS Staff), MDHHS Program Manager (Program area staff), MDHHS Budget Liaison(s), and source of funds in the Changes to SIGMA code or Fund Area, if any box.
- 4. Send New Project Request form (or DCH 3891 for amendments) to LHS Director (or Senior Deputy Director if amount exceeds \$250,000) for approval.
- 5. Once approval received, send New Project Request (or DCH 3891) to MDHHS-MIEGRANTS-AGREEMENT-DOC@michigan.gov address and cc: LHS Director, Budget Liaisons, Division of Environmental Health Financial Resources Group, and Program Area staff.

